IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of   Atty. Docket

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Title: IN-THE-FIELD ADAPTATION OF A LARGE VOCABULARY AUTOMATIC SPEECH RECOGNIZER

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
- EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply in the above-identified application in response to the Final Office Action dated May 21, 2002.

IN THE DRAWING

As required by the Examiner, Applicants submit herewith proposed changes to the Drawing.   The changes are in the form of a red ink sketch.   Upon approval by the Examiner ad upon issuance of a Notice of Allowance, Applicants will make these changes formal.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please delete in its entirety and replace with the following:

--A technique for improving the recognition accuracy of a speech recognizer is disclosed, which includes deploying the speech recognizer, wherein live input data is used as inputs to a given speaker independent adaptation algorithm as it is recognized.   The